



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appln. of: Wolfgang Senge
Appln. No.: 10/809,973
Filed: March 25, 2004
For: HERBAL STEAM DEVICE
Attorney Docket No: 12431/3

Examiner: Josiah C. Cocks
Art Unit: 3749

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, and more particularly in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b), Applicant hereby cites the following reference(s):

Patent No.	Issue Date	Patentee/Applicant/Assignee
6,282,369 B1	08/28/2001	Maier et al.
6,236,808 B1	05/22/2001	Jordan et al.
5,423,485	06/13/1995	Tagusari
FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS		
DOCUMENT NUMBER <small>Number-Kind Code (if known)</small>	DATE	COUNTRY
WO 2004/018936 A1	03/04/2004	WIPO
DE 41 09 357 A1	09/24/1992	Germany
FR 1 500 935	01/24/1968	France
GB 2 253 786 A	09/23/1992	United Kingdom

Applicant is enclosing Form PTO-1449 (one sheet), along with a copy of each listed reference for which a copy is required under 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2). A copy of the European Search Report for the EPO application EP 1 462 715 A1, corresponding to this application, and citing the references listed above is attached for the Examiner's reference. An English language version of the search report is also enclosed. The German language reference DE 41 09 357 A and the French language reference FR1 500 935 A are cited as "A" category references: technological background.

An English language UK patent application, GB 2 253 786 A, corresponding to DE 41 09 357 A1 is also provided. Given the categorization by the search report no

further comment is believed necessary on DE 41 09 357 A or FR 1500935 A under MPEP §609.04(a).

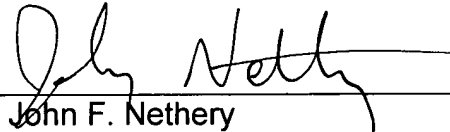
By submitting this Statement, Applicant is attempting to fully comply with the duty of candor and good faith mandated by 37 C.F.R. §1.56. As such, this Statement is not intended to constitute an admission that any of the enclosed references, or other information referred to therein, constitutes "prior art" or is otherwise "material to patentability," as that phrase is defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(a).

Applicant has calculated no fee to be due in connection with the filing of this Statement. However, the Director is authorized to charge any fee deficiency associated with the filing of this Statement to a deposit account, as authorized in the Transmittal accompanying this Statement.

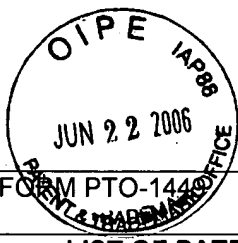
Respectfully submitted,

June 22, 2006

Date



John F. Nethery
(Reg. No. 42,928)



FORM PTO-1440	SERIAL NO. 10/809,973	CASE NO. 12431/3
LIST OF PATENTS AND PUBLICATIONS FOR APPLICANT'S INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT	FILING DATE March 25, 2004	GROUP ART UNIT 3749
(use several sheets if necessary)		APPLICANT(S): Wolfgang Senge

REFERENCE DESIGNATION

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIAL		Patent No.	Issue Date	Patentee/Applicant/Assignee	CLASS/ SUBCLASS	FILING DATE
	A1	6,282,369 B1	08/28/2001	Maier et al.		
	A2	6,236,808 B1	05/22/2001	Jordan et al.		
	A3	5,423,485	06/13/1995	Tagusari		

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER <small>Number-Kind Code (if known)</small>	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS/ SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION YES OR NO
	A4	WO 2004/018936 A1	03/04/2004	WIPO		
	A5	DE 41 09 357 A1	09/24/1992	Germany		
	A6	FR 1 500 935	01/24/1968	France		
	A7	GB 2 253 786 A	09/23/1992	United Kingdom		

EXAMINER INITIAL	OTHER ART – NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS <small>(Include name of author, title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.</small>	

EXAMINER	DATE CONSIDERED
----------	-----------------

EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.